

1 waiting to be transferred from a regional center to community-based
2 services or other regional center services, (g) the number of
3 persons discharged from a regional center who are receiving
4 community-based services or other regional center services, and
5 (h) the number of persons admitted to behavioral health crisis
6 centers. Each regional behavioral health authority shall provide
7 such information as requested by the division and necessary to
8 carry out this subsection. The division shall submit reports of
9 such information to the Governor and the Legislature on a quarterly
10 basis beginning July 1, 2005, in a format which does not identify
11 any person by name, address, county of residence, social security
12 number, or other personally identifying characteristic.

13 (8) The provisions of this section are self-executing and
14 require no further authorization or other enabling legislation.

15 Sec. 18. Section 71-818, Revised Statutes Cumulative
16 Supplement, 2006, is amended to read:

→ 17 71-818 ~~(1)~~ (1)(a) The Behavioral Health Oversight
18 Commission of the Legislature is created. The

19 (b) Until June 30, 2008, the commission shall consist
20 of not more than twenty-five members appointed by the chairperson
21 of the Health and Human Services Committee of the Legislature
22 and confirmed by a majority of members of the committee, and
23 members - Members of the commission shall ~~(a)~~ (i) include, but
24 not be limited to, representatives of the Legislature, consumers
25 and consumer advocacy organizations, behavioral health providers,

1 the communities of Norfolk and Hastings, state employees,
2 regional behavioral health authorities, mental health boards, and
3 law enforcement, ~~(b)~~ (ii) possess a demonstrated interest and
4 commitment and specialized knowledge, experience, or expertise
5 relating to the provision of behavioral health services in the
6 State of Nebraska, and ~~(e)~~ (iii) be broadly representative of all
7 the behavioral health regions.

8 (c) Beginning on July 1, 2008, the members of the
9 commission shall possess a demonstrated interest and commitment and
10 specialized knowledge, experience, or expertise relating to the
11 provision of behavioral health services in the State of Nebraska,
12 and the commission shall consist of twelve members appointed
13 by the Governor as follows: (i) One consumer of behavioral
14 health services, (ii) one consumer advocate of behavioral
15 health services, (iii) three providers of community-based
16 behavioral health services, including one representative from each
17 congressional district, (iv) three regional behavioral health
18 authority administrators, including one from each congressional
19 district, (v) one representative of the Norfolk Regional Center,
20 (vi) one representative of the Lincoln Regional Center, (vii)
21 one representative of the city of Norfolk, and (viii) one
22 representative of the city of Hastings.

23 (d) Members of the commission shall serve without
24 compensation but shall be reimbursed from the Nebraska Health Care
25 Cash Fund for their actual and necessary expenses as provided in

1 sections 81-1174 to 81-1177.

2 ~~{2}~~ The (2)(a) Until June 30, 2008, the commission, under
3 the direction of and in consultation with the Health and Human
4 Services Committee of the Legislature, shall oversee and support
5 implementation of the Nebraska Behavioral Health Services Act and
6 shall administer such funds as appropriated by the Legislature from
7 the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund for such purpose, and the -
8 The commission may employ staff, enter into contracts, establish
9 and utilize task forces and subcommittees, and perform such other
10 activities as necessary and appropriate to carry out its duties
11 under this section.

12 (b) Beginning on July 1, 2008, the commission shall
13 be responsible to the division and shall oversee and support
14 implementation of the Nebraska Behavioral Health Services Act. To
15 carry out this duty, the commission shall (i) conduct regular
16 meetings, (ii) provide advice and assistance to the division
17 relating to the implementation of the act, (iii) promote the
18 interests of consumers and their families, (iv) provide reports as
19 requested by the division, and (v) engage in such other activities
20 as directed or authorized by the division.

21 (3) To assist the commission in its role of oversight,
22 the division shall provide the commission with a quarterly report
23 regarding the implementation of the Nebraska Behavioral Health
24 Services Act.

25 ~~{3}~~ (4) The commission and this section terminate on June

1 30, ~~2008~~, 2009.

2 Sec. 19. Section 71-1910, Revised Statutes Supplement,
3 2007, is amended to read:

4 71-1910 For purposes of the Child Care Licensing Act,
5 unless the context otherwise requires: .

6 (1) Department means the Department of Health and Human
7 Services; and

8 (2) (a) Program means the provision of services in lieu
9 of parental supervision for children under thirteen years of age
10 for compensation, either directly or indirectly, on the average of
11 less than twelve hours per day, but more than two hours per week,
12 and includes any employer-sponsored child care, family child care
13 home, child care center, school-age child care program, school-age
14 services pursuant to section 79-1104, or preschool or nursery
15 school.

16 (b) Program does not include casual care at irregular
17 intervals, a recreation camp as defined in section 71-3101, a
18 recreation facility, center, or program operated by a political
19 or governmental subdivision pursuant to the authority provided
20 in section 13-304, classes or services provided by a religious
21 organization other than child care or a preschool or nursery
22 school, a preschool program conducted in a school approved pursuant
23 to section 79-318, services provided only to school-age children
24 during the summer and other extended breaks in the school year, or
25 foster care as defined in section 71-1901.